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Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge Hosts Two Open House Public Meetings

"The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service would like to provide an update to our recently distributed news release pertaining to the open houses at Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge" stated Rolf Olson, Refuge Manager. We have heard from members of the public that they would like an opportunity to have a verbal communication session during our upcoming open houses. This format will provide attendees the opportunity to speak directly to Service staff and hear the concerns of other attendees as well. To accommodate this request, refuge staff have now made an adjustment to our original format. The Service will provide up to 1 1/2 hour 2-minute comment period following a brief presentation with the remaining time for open house session.

Information about the two meetings are as follows:

Date: Saturday, May 19, 2018 Time: 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

10:00 -11:00 welcome/sign up for comment period/open house session with Staff

11:00 -11:30 brief presentation

11:30 - 1:00 verbal communication session with 2-minute comment period

1:00 - 2:00 open house session with Staff Location: Palm Beach County Extension

Address: 559 North Military Trail, West Palm Beach, FL 33415

Date: Tuesday, May 22, 2018 Time: 5:00 pm to 8:30 pm

5:00 – 6:00 pm welcome/sign up for comment period/open house session with Staff

6:00 - 6:30 brief presentation

6:30 - 8:00 pm verbal communication session with 2-minute comment period

8:00 - 8:30 pm break out session with Staff

Location: South County Civic Center

Address: 16700 Jog Road, Delray Beach, FL 33446

The refuge is located off U.S. 441/SR 7, 2.5 miles south of SR 804 (Boynton Beach Blvd.) and three miles north of SR 806 (Delray Beach's Atlantic Avenue). The refuge is open from 5:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., seven days a week. Visitor Center hours are 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., seven days a week. An entrance fee of \$5.00 per vehicle or \$1.00 per pedestrian is charged. A variety of passes, including a \$12.00 refuge specific annual pass, are available. Please visit the refuge website at www.fws.gov/refuge/arm_loxahatchee/ and like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/ARMLoxahatcheeNWR.

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